

United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE Cape Cod National Seashore 99 Marconi Site Road Wellfleet, MA 02667

IN REPLY REFER TO:

January 28, 2013

Dear Friend of the Coast Guard NEED Program:

You are receiving this letter because you have been a participant and supporter of Cape Cod National Seashore's National Environmental Education Development (NEED) program based at the Coast Guard Station at Coast Guard Beach, Eastham. The national seashore shares and appreciates your enthusiasm in engaging students and youth in resource-based education and getting kids outdoors.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that in fall 2013 The National Park Service will commence a rehabilitation and strategic planning process for the building and program. We anticipate that the building will be closed for up to two years as we rehabilitate the interior and also determine how the facility will be used in the future to meet National Park Service mission goals.

We will close the building on October 2, 2013, and will not be accepting applications for programs beyond that date. We are still accepting applications for overnight stays between now and the closure date of October 2. During the closure Education Specialist Barbara Dougan can refer you to alternative locations, as well as resources, such as lesson plans which will enable you to continue to explore the rich natural and cultural resources of the Outer Cape with your students and program participants.

If you have any questions, please contact Barbara Dougan at (508) 255-3421, ext. 16.

Sincerely.

George E. Price, Jr. Superintendent